



# The Return Of The King

2 Samuel 19:10 **Now therefore why speak ye not a word of bringing the king back?**

## Context

- King David's return to Jerusalem following the death of Absalom.
- The return of David is a significant event, symbolising restoration and the rightful king's return to his throne.
- There is a parallel between David's return and the **second coming of Jesus Christ**, suggesting that David's journey is a foreshadowing of Christ's prophesied return.

## The Return of the King

- The scripture asks, "**Now therefore why speak ye not a word of bringing the King back?**" This question challenges the silence surrounding the return of the king.
- David's return symbolises the anticipated second coming of Christ.
- Believers to reflect on their readiness for this event.
- Why there is a lack of discussion and anticipation about wanting the King back, both in the historical context and in modern times?

## Prophetic Views

- **Post-Millennialism:** This view holds that the world will gradually improve until Christ returns after a 1,000-year reign.
- **Amillennialism:** This perspective denies a literal 1,000-year reign, viewing the church age as ongoing without a distinct millennium.
- **Premillennialism:** This belief posits that Christ will return before a 1,000-year reign, during which He will establish His kingdom. We advocate for a **pre-tribulation rapture**, where the church is taken up before the tribulation period.

## Rapture Views

- **Pre-Tribulation Rapture:** The belief that the church will be taken before the tribulation begins.
- **Post-Tribulation Rapture:** The belief that the church will endure the tribulation before being raptured.

## The Importance of Preaching the Second Coming

- Preachers should speak more about Christ's return, as it is essential to the completion of the salvation narrative.
- The necessity of Christ's return is a crucial part of the fulfilment of salvation.

## Christian Responsibility

- We are encouraged to actively anticipate Christ's return, living with the expectation that it could happen at any moment.

- The second coming is described as a comforting, purifying, and blessed hope that should inspire believers.

### Modern Focus

- The modern focus on earthly matters often leads to neglecting spiritual anticipation of Christ's return.
- The church today ignores the second coming, despite its significance in Christian doctrine.

### Encouragement for Believers

- The anticipation of Christ's return should inspire loyalty and patience among believers.
- Believers are encouraged to foster unity in anticipation of Christ's return.
- The belief in Christ's imminent return should lead to personal holiness and readiness.

### Conclusion

- Believers are encouraged to live with the expectation of Christ's return, maintaining readiness and purity.
- Christ's return could happen at any moment, and believers ought to live each day with this in mind.